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SUBJECT: ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL AUTOMOBILE THEFT
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1. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL AUTOMOBILE THEFT BUREAU WILL BE HELD ON MARCH 28 IN THE BEVERLY ROOM OF THE CONRAD HILTON HOTEL IN CHICAGO. THE PRESIDENT OF THAT ORGANIZATION, PAUL W. GILLILAND, HAS INVITED AN SCS OFFICER TO ATTEND AND HAS INDICATED A REPRESENTATIVE OF EMBASSY MEXICO WOULD BE MOST WELCOME. MISS SUSIE TUCKER OF SCS' PROPERTY UNIT HAS BEEN DESIGNATED TO ATTEND THE MEETING AND TO PARTICIPATE IN A PANEL DISCUSSION, WITH THE BUREAU OF CONSULAR AFFAIRS DEFRAIDING HER EXPENSES.

2. IN VIEW OF THE LARGE NUMBER OF STOLEN AMERICAN-OWNED AUTOMOBILES THAT ENTER MEXICO AND THE PROBLEMS ENTAILED IN LOCATING AND RETURNING THEM TO THEIR RIGHTFUL OWNERS, THE DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING BY A CONSULAR OFFICER FROM THE EMBASSY WOULD BE BENEFICIAL.
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THE COSTS OF TRAVEL AND PER DIEM WOULD HAVE TO BE DEFRAIDED FROM THE EMBASSY'S TRAVEL FUNDS. THE DEPARTMENT WILL BE PLEASED TO MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS IF THE EMBASSY DECIDES TO SEND AN OFFICER.

3. WHETHER OR NOT THE EMBASSY WILL BE REPRESENTED, THE

DEPARTMENT SHALL MUCH APPRECIATE RECEIVING BY COB MARCH 24
A REPORT COVERING THE MAJOR ELEMENTS OF THE STOLEN U.S.
AUTOMOBILES PROBLEM IN MEXICO, INCLUDING THE ESTIMATED
NUMBER OF SUCH VEHICLES ENTERING MEXICO DURING THE PAST
SIX MONTHS, THE EXTENT OF COOPERATION THE EMBASSY AND ITS
CONSTITUENT POSTS ARE RECEIVING FROM MEXICAN AUTHORITIES
IN ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE, RETRIEVE AND RETURN THESE VE-
HICLES, THE PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED IN COPING WITH THIS
PROBLEM AND ANY SUGGESTIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS THAT THE
EMBASSY MAY WISH TO HAVE RAISED BY MISS TUCKER AT THE
MARCH 28 MEETING.

4. IF THE EMBASSY ELECTS TO SEND A CONSULAR OFFICER TO
THE MEETING, PLEASE INFORM THE DEPARTMENT AS SOON AS
POSSIBLE OF THE OFFICER'S NAME AND DESIRED ACCOMMODATIONS.
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